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New euphorbias will leave you breathless

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Sometimes the competition in the world can leave you breathless. In the plant world it's certainly more than a figure of speech debut in 2010.

It seems it was just a couple of years ago Diamond Frost euphorbia entered the gardening world and quickly swept every aw just about the toughest flower you could grow, blooming from spring through frost.

Breathless is much like Diamond Frost though perhaps a little tighter in habit. Diamond Frost reaches about 18 inches tall and difference however lies in the Breathless Blush as this variety gives gardeners a choice in colors.

Breathless Blush displays white flowers which are actually bracts, blushing with pink. The leaves are a dark green with red to shrub burgundy loropetalum. Breathless Blush also has the same controlled habit reaching about 12 inches tall with a spread

Like Diamond Frost they ruggedly perform in the landscape all summer. But don't limit them to just the landscape, you will also While Diamond Frost has been used as the ideal filler type flower in open pockets the Breathless habit allows it to take on a s

The competition doesn't stop with the Breathless series however as Hip Hop and Whiten Manaus are also making their debut and habit but White Manaus shocked everyone by the pristine white blossoms and giant structure.

White Manaus was not only a prolific flower producer but also approached 3 feet in height. It literally was a cloud of white all effectively in the middle of the border.

The euphorbia is an environmentally friendly addition to the landscape, drought tolerant and virtually pest free. By "pest free" outstanding traits.

For best blooming, select a location with as much sunlight as possible, although some shade is acceptable. Prepare the bed get happy in your flowerbed. If you have a soil more suitable for making bricks, incorporate 3 to 4 inches of organic matter so also improve drainage and aeration. Soggy wet soil is your enemy. Plant at the same depth they are growing in their container White Manaus.

The white flowered selections make great partners with Intensia phlox such as Neon Pink, Orchid Blast or Cabernet. Use also or Cathedral Deep Blue to give a spiky texture. As you are designing your bed use some ornamental grass with gold to chart flowered they will go with any other color you choose.

The Breathless Blush combines well with pink flowered selections of salvias, burgundy leafed grasses, while adding a touch will add some extra zest.

No matter your choice of landscape style the euphorbia will prove to be a terrific addition offering nonstop flowers coupled with

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